## FLASHES OF WIT.

Lowell Citizen: A grate man, a stove dealer.

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Lowell Courier: The golden mieu, the air of silence.

Washington Critic: Weather profits, the coal dealers.

New Haven News: A tacit lie, the New Haven gas meter.

Whitehall Times: An after diner speech, "Check, wal er!"
Texas Siftings: Wall of the stage arpenter, all work and no play.

Yonkers Gazette: The man who

eats peas in the shell is a try pod. New Haven News: Impressions of America, footprints in the

snow.

Boston Post: The sweets of married life should be kept in family jars.

Boston Bulletin: The most popular "tenner" is the ten-dollar gold

Hartford Times: Fresh toe mar-tyrs, the youths who buy tight boot. oot. Philadelphia Call: The gas me-er is a fraud, but there is nothing

is a fraud

low about it.

Pretzel's Weekly: Old memories are like old sores, stir them up and they hurt.

New Haven News: Egotism is a man without a collar carrying a gold headed cane.

Washington Critic: The farther man gets away from a dollar the gger it looks.

bigger it looks.
Burlington Free Press: A touch
of rheumatism makes us all achin'
—Grover Cleveland.
Columbus Dispatch: The latest
winkle, the mugwamp scowl over
the Henton affair.

the Benton affair.

Puck: This world is but a fleeting show, and to most of us the best sents are already taken.

Oil City Blizzard: The Bulgarian throne seems to be still strewn with carpet tacks.

Merchant Traveler: The rooster arranges his notes in the order of the crow-matic scale.

St. Pull Herald: The way of the strewn and the seale.

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St. Paul Herald: The way of the transgressor is hard, because many feet have trodden it.

New York Morning Journal: Men who love quiet should teach their wives to play chess.

Philadelphia Call: It costs money to advertise, but it costs money to advertise, but it costs more money not to advertise.

New York Journal: Kissing telephones are the latest. It is the old man who cries "Hello"

Texas Siftings: He—I could live on pigs feet all the time. She—Are you sure you don't!

St. Louis Post-Dispatch: The people will love Judge Grossham for one enemy that he made.

New Orleans Pleayme: When Sam Randall is president loycles will daugle from the rim of the sun.

New York Journal: Every fel-

will dangie from the rim of the sun.

New York Joarnal: Every fellow likes to cutter dash if he has to sleigh a livery-stable man.

New-Orleans Picayune: A literary person is one who can write a short story for a magazine.

Columbus Dispatch: A man on the gallows would naturally be expected to tell the neck-ed truth.

Rochester Post-Express: A new kind of stove is called "The Infant." It ought to be painted yeller. faut." yeller.

Boston Herald: The assembling of congress being over, the dis-sembling of congress will now be-

Norristown Herald: This is the time when you can tell a man's character by the condition of his sidewalk.

Philadelphia North American: When a man gets to be a leader of workingmen he is able to quit

Rochester Post-Express: M. Goblet has agreed to form a min-istry for France. It will be easily amashed.

Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph: he favorite expression of the usiness manager of a newspaper "big-ad!"

is "big-adi"

Lowell Chizem: Jack Frost is the only original freeze oil party. His zeroic methods are not much admired, however.

Boston Commercial-Bulletin: The fashionable overcosts and their wearers remind one of the seashores, capes and heavy swells.

## HOUSE TOPS.

SHELL AND GRAVEL BOOFING AND ITS PATENT APPLICATION TO OUR STORE HOUSES AND HOMES.

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A few evenings since ween the seven stars were in the zenth of the sky, flery Orion not far away and Pieludes amiling serensity upon mother earth, a Linux representative was invited to a huggy rite by Mr. Those Kerr, the efficient proprietor of the shoil and gravel reoding works in this circ said; It to only a few years ago when I came to San Antonio at the aprelial request of the Interesticula and Green to the Antonio fight here it is in said to the Interesticula and Green and it was their first train that came to san Antonio fight here it is in work done at that time, that the roofe of all the ware-houses, deput work done at that time, that the roofe of all the ware-houses, deput out of the company are now in as good condition as hey were when first cunstrated. "Fants are generally established by "Fants are generally established by

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Monetary Supremacy of France. [By L-reuse Castes.]

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[Hy Lecano Castro.]

France, in 1881, possesses a quantity of obtaced gold, equal to one-fourth of all the gold could in the world. A distributed french writer says in the year 1885, the gold and silver coin then in existence, was estimated at 37 billion, of which it billion, was estimated at 37 billion, of which it billion so do gold.

In 1845, the stock of coin in France was estimated at 400 million gold, and 2,000 million in silver.

What has become of that stock in 1885, we find gold 4.700 million, 2,500 silver, taking the lowest estimate.

The United States, Kogland, and India, are the only countries that can be compared to France, when metalle wealth is considered find the control of the countries. The United States, Kogland, and India, are the only countries, the possessor of I.800 gold and one billion silver. China has nothing but silver—shout 400 billions. If the population of France, which romains of 800 gold. Do inhabitants, is considered with that coin of France, which romains of 8000.000 inhabitants, is considered with that one with-sanding the existence of that metalius wealth. France is the one one can appreciate how great is the walth of the precious metals accumulated in France is operating strange is the one. The directation of bank notes in France is greater, insan that of the 1700 neitonal bank of France had on the Lotter.

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What Shail I Give Her?

At this season of the year it is customary to present gifts to relatives and friends, and of times would-begivers are puzzled what to select. In ordinary cases something useful and ornswential is the most subspirable. For a lady, a handcome toiled cases, a pretty folies set, a piquant performery set, an elegant mouth each brack, or a quaint inform, is most susceptable, and for a genileman, a performer subspirable, and for a genileman, a performer subspirable, and for a genileman, a performer set of a genileman, a most of the desired and the case of the latter of the compact of the latter of the compact of the latter of the compact of the kind in all the reader should not fail to onli and examine them.

It may be added that the proprietore, allowers, Ragiand & Co., have a large stock of the linest and parent fresh drugs mounted, and resided in quantities to suit the purchaser, and everything that can usually be got in a first-class drug store may be obtained there.

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What is it, sir!" she asked, as be bes-

"What is it, sir?" she asked, as he hes-izared.
"This is Mr. Due's office, of course?" he queried, as he looked around.
"Certainly."
"And he is not here?"
"No, etc."
"No, etc."
"You are to be in charge?"
"Hough! So that's the kind of a man
he it."
"Anathing wrong, sir," she asked.

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"Anything errong, sir," she saked.
"Rather! I've been in the habit of dropping up here about every foren-on in the year at this hoor to borrow a cobew of cobacce, and the arrangement has been unule without consulting me in the slightest. Glauph! I' that's the kind the sightest. Glauph! I' that's the kind bim out, even at this late day."

OFFICE UNDERWEITER'S SALVAGE CORFS.

M. Loois, Outoise II, 1888.

Mears. Byrosa & Kerr.

Draw Size-lu reply to your inquiry of the for evening-dress combinations.

ALAMO CITT BUSINESS COLLEGE.

What is Has Done in the Past, and what is Will Do in the Puture



The building that graces the head of this article is the Dailing Block, the largest and handsomest commercial building in the city. In the upper story of that block is located the Alamo city Business Callege, an locarparate institution similing to give the Fring generation a business education that shall fit them to play a practical part on the world's stage. This college has had remarkable success during the time if has been established, and the practical proficiency of students of both sexes have result seemed them engagements which they could not otherwise have buttained. It has encounteration for from 23 to 300 students. The class rounce, an ilmetration of which appears in another part of graces and well diassbert, such that not superior in the south. For exemplification of commercial business there is a model business house in the south second which is such as the second which is the such as the second with the south which the south is such as the second with the south which the south is south as the sou

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Some Interesting Pointers that can be Studied by all to their Great Advantage.

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are distilled, including those of Arkinson, Labla, Laurier, Rieger, Wright, Ralley, and deile Freres, and in all the popular colors. Folis songs of all kinds are here in great variety, and all popular laboration of the color with the same the department when in need of any articles of the kind.

Here also will be found some of the most elegant articles ever brought to this city suitable for Christmas PRESSENTS.

his city suitable for Christmas FIRESKIY and New Year gifts, including hand-some stream gifts, including hand-some stream gifts, including hand-statelies, significance, and other needla presents. Many of these have been specially loported, and carnot be da-plicated in the city. These are really worth examination. As

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While the past presents a rather gioomy retrospect for Texas, arfaing mainly from a temporary shrinkage in values occasioned by national depression and partial failure of crops, and many investors bave failed to make money in the Lone Star state, there is no question that the promised boom is conting, not only for these who have hitherwhole of the property of the state of the lone Star state, there is no question that the promised boom is conting, not only for these who have hitherwhole of the lone Star state, there is no question that the promised boom is conting, not only for these who have hitherwhole of the lone of lon

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